

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

SHIMOKAWA

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Appl. No. (To be Assigned)

Group:

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Examiner:

For: MAGNETIC RECORDING DISK AND PROCESS FOR MANUFACTURE
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January 28, 2004

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

In order to place the above-identified application in better condition for examination, please amend the application as follows: